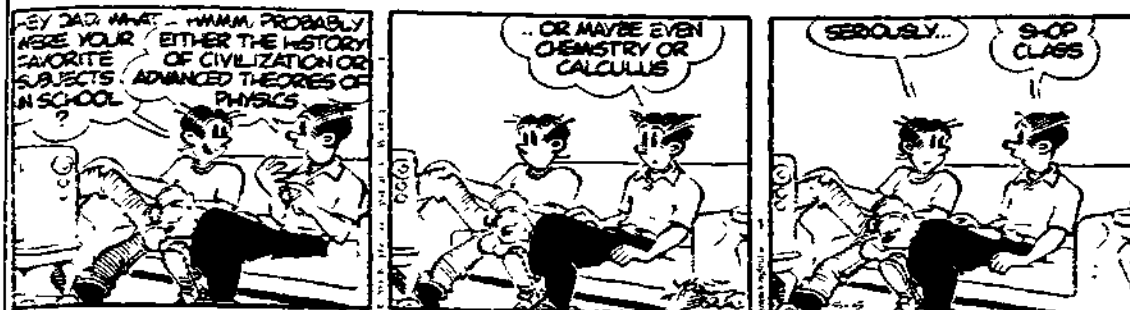
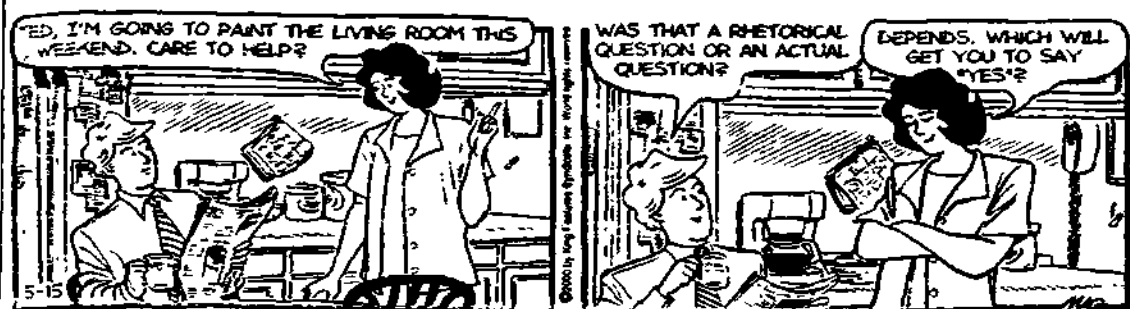


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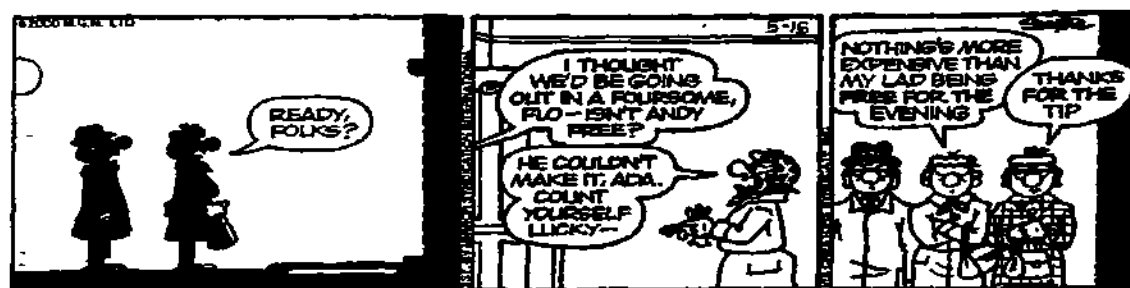
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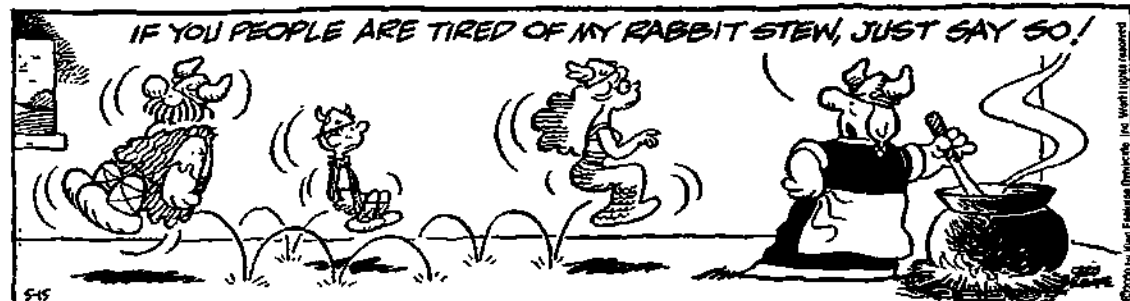
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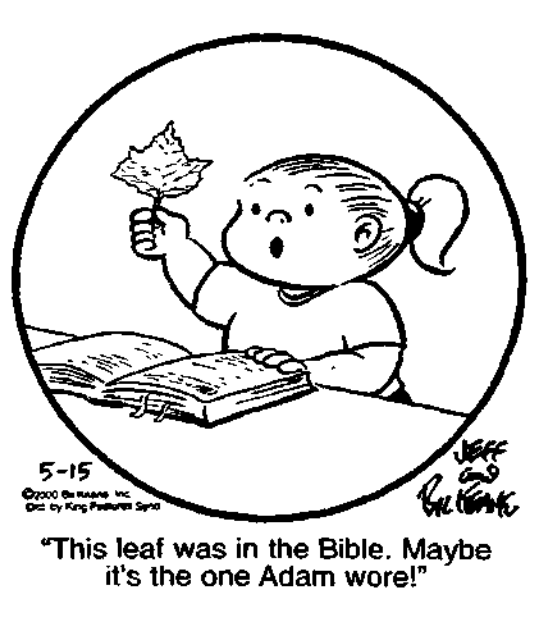
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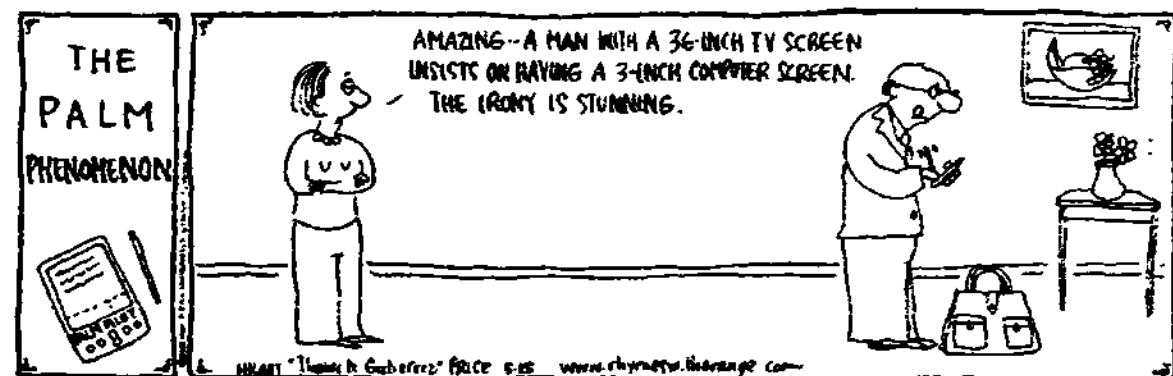
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FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



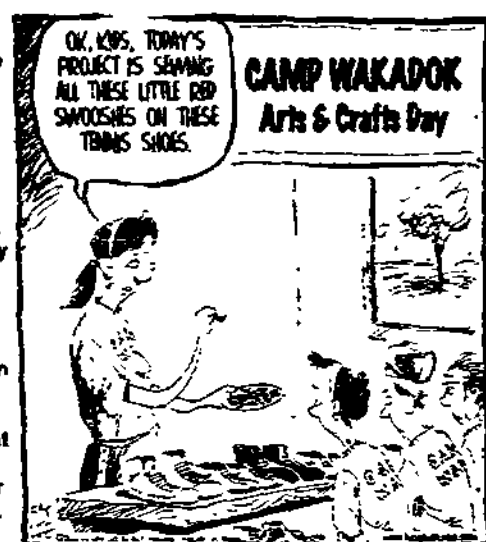
RALPH



Today's Birthdays

Actress Constance Cummings is 90.
Singer Eddy Arnold is 82. Playwright Peter Shaffer ("Amadeus") is 74. Playwright Anthony Shaffer ("Sleuth") is 74. Actress-singer Anna Maria Alberghetti is 64. Counterculture icon Wavy Gravy is 64. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright is 63. Singer Trini Lopez is 63. Singer Lenny Welch is 62. Actress-singer Lainie Kazan is 60.

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PAR SCORE 130-140
by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL
TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble® Players Dictionary (Merrim-Webster) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Cramers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW 5-15-00 © 2000 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

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E	G	R	E	M	N	A	N	E	G	R	D	U	U

1st Letter Double
2nd Letter Double
Triple Word Score

For solution, see Classified.

WORD SLEUTH

GOVERNMENT WEB SITES WWW.—.GOV

QAXURETANESPMJG
DAXVSQNKSIFFYDA
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Saturday's unaided clue: SPUTNIK
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Monday's unaided clue: A COUNT OF THE POPULATION

festivals	food	senate	usps
form	medicare	state	usmint
foodsafety	osha	surgeongeneral	whitehouse
house	peacecorps	time	

For solution, see Classified.

HOROSCOPE

For Tuesday, May 16

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Make sure you take the other person's feelings into consideration as much as you do your own.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Try to do something for yourself today.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The Scorpio moon shows you that life is full of surprises.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You may have a fight on your hands if you dare to challenge someone in a position of authority.
LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) This is the perfect time for you to purchase items that allow you to communicate better.
VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) A deep and meaningful conversation with a friend or partner leaves you feeling as if you never really knew them.
LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Appearances are everything as the moon moves through the house of Scorpio today.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You are even more introverted than usual today.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Fun and laughter are the themes of the day.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) This isn't the best day to ask for a raise or a promotion.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 19) Keep an open mind, and you might learn something new.
PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Make peace with your mistakes and get ready to move into the future. Your destiny awaits.

ACES

By Bobby Wolff

After dummy came down, South surveyed his chances and realized he was a big favorite to make his game and, perhaps, an overtrick. If either the spade king or diamond ace were favorably placed, he could lose no more than three tricks. Sensing no danger, South hastily took East's club queen and cashed his ace and king of trumps. Next, he took a spade finesse, losing to East's king. East returned a club to West's king, and it was easy for West to find the diamond shift. This led to a speedy one down in a game South should have made. To secure the game, South should refuse to win East's club queen at trick one. East can do no better than return a jack, and South wins his ace. South runs his spade jack at trick three, and when East wins, South's game is secure. East has no entry to the West hand for the critical diamond shift, and the defenders can win only three tricks. It never hurts to look ahead for hidden dangers. More games are lost by hasty play at trick one than at any other time.

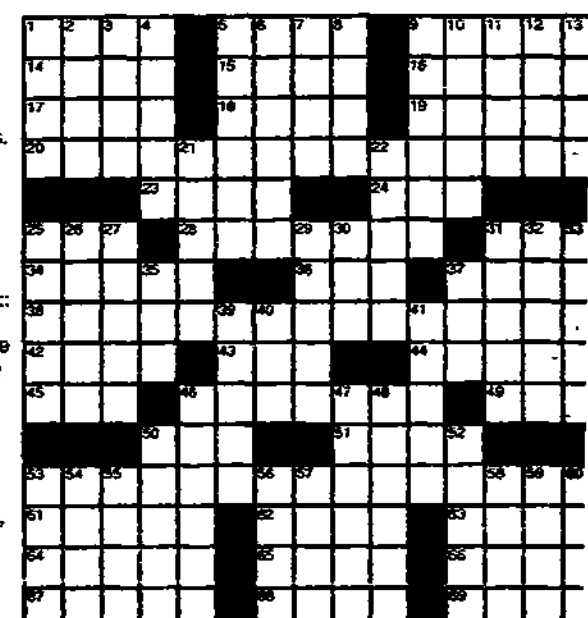
N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 040

- ACROSS**
- Pinball message
 - Saloon orders
 - A Lesson From
 - Soprano's song, maybe
 - Nod off
 - One of the senses
 - Hiker's woe
 - Colorado skiing destination
 - Follow
 - Intermittently
 - A single time
 - it or lose it
 - Frequently, to Shakespeare
 - Exterminator's target
 - Nod off
 - Arc de Triomphe locale
 - Mexican gold
 - "Livin' la Vida" (Ricky Martin song)
 - Intermittently
 - Surf's sound
 - Shipment to a mill
 - Rephrases
 - Guggenheim display
 - Brand-new business
 - Nintendo product
 - Expire
 - Lennon's in-laws
 - Intermittently
 - Sailors are famous for them
 - Fur, say
 - Down-to-earth
 - Pal
 - Excited about
 - Food for Fido
 - Reveal
 - Like a billionaire's pockets
 - Wall Street initials
- DOWN**
- Word before shell or Bell
 - Remove the wrinkles from
 - Peaseta: Spain :: Italy
 - Argentine dance
 - Reply from Ann Landers
 - Repair shop substitute
 - Basso Pinza
 - The first "S" in S.A.S.E.
 - "Relax, soldier!"
 - Jessica of "Tootsie"
 - Bones, to a doctor
 - Pins and needles holder
 - Spotted
 - On pins and needles
 - Fold-up mattress
 - Where to hear a 14-Across
 - Party handout
 - "Trick or"
 - Necessity at a golf club
 - George Gershwin's brother

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

TTTTT TTTT TTTT
THAR NIHO OROUT
TYKE OHEM TAINIT
TMEN NANA INLEY
TENDS DUTIES
STEPON INIT
TALKTO REC EAST
TRIESONESHANDAT
YAPE KIM EXTENT
YDSP INESSE
SENECA LIGHT
YAMAR SOWS NEET
YRIDE PUPS ETAT
YUNIC ORIG PART
TTTTT TTTT TTTT



Puzzle by Gregory E. Paul

- 31 Like a pitcher's perfect game
- 32 Vinegar: Prefix
- 33 Colorful violet
- 35 Abbr. on sale items
- 37 Inc., in Britain
- 39 Jottings
- 40 "... man mouse?"
- 41 Train station
- 46 Squelches
- 47 Until now
- 48 Remove a clog from
- 50 Muralist Rivera
- 52 Kitchen wrap
- 53 Stunted type: Abbr.
- 54 Identify
- 55 Fly like a butterfly
- 56 Amino, for one
- 57 Second to
- 58 Bank (on)
- 59 Memorial Day solo
- 60 ... gm fizz

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